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AND  
PRIVACY ACTS**

**SUBJECT: CUSTODIAL DETENTION  
SECURITY INDEX**

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: November 8, 1950

FROM :

SUBJECT: SPECIAL SECTION OF THE SECURITY INDEX - GENERALPURPOSE:

To advise that as a result of the review ordered by you of cases in which subjects were carried in the Special Section of the Security Index the number recommended for continuance in the Special Section has been reduced to 151, and of the 89 espionage subjects originally carried in the Special Section only 39 are currently recommended for inclusion. To make certain recommendations regarding further handling of the Special Section.

BACKGROUND:

Your memorandum to all Supervisors in the Espionage and Internal Security Sections, September 28, 1950, instructed that each Special Section case be reviewed by the Supervisor to whom it was assigned for the purpose of determining whether the subject was properly included in the Security Index and secondly, whether the subject, if so carried, was properly included in the Special Section under the criteria set forth in the referenced memorandum, a copy of which is attached. This was done.

DETAILS:

A tabulation of the results of the survey of the Special Section shows:

	Originally In Sp. Sec.	Recommended Retain	Recommended Removed	Cancelled SI Card
U. S. Government Employees	46	40	6	
Atomic Energy Employees	8	8	-	
Prominent Individuals	29	21	8	(1)
Foreign Government Employees	23	17	6	(3)
United Nations Employees	28	26	2	(1)
Totals				

The Department has been asked for advice and rulings on the matter of handling U. S. Government Employees, Atomic Energy Employees, Foreign Government Employees and United Nations and other international organization employees who should be considered for inclusion in the Security Index. Until such advice is received the persons properly falling within these categories will be retained in the Special Section. The reasons for removals of such subjects from the Special

Section during the course of the survey involved a change in status. Those whose Security Index cards were cancelled included the following. Acquisition of diplomatic status; departure from United States, dangerousness no longer exists. u

With regard to the so-called prominent individuals, those who were removed from the Special Section were so handled because in the light of current facts they could not be considered nationally prominent for reasons other than the very activities which justified their inclusion in the Security Index. The exception to this: One prominent individual whose Security Index card was cancelled by reason of his current cooperation with the Bureau. u

With regard to the individuals formerly carried in the Special Section whose Security Index cards have been cancelled, you are advised that 3 have left the United States, 1 has been determined to be no longer dangerous and 1 has been determined to be not identical with the individual concerning whom the espionage allegations were made. One died. u

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) It is recommended that those individuals who are to be removed from the Special Section be taken out of that Section as soon as reports suitable for distribution to the Department are received, and that instructions concerning the preparation of such reports be issued to the Field promptly. u

(2) It is recommended that in the case of all subjects being maintained in the Special Section of the Security Index reports suitable for distribution be prepared in the Field be retained in the Bureau's files until such time as the status of the subject is changed, and that such investigations be brought u

up-to-date every six months by a summary type report suitable for distribution regardless of the number of investigative reports prepared in the Field concerning such subjects which are not prepared for distribution.

(3) In order to have control of the subjects who are in the Special Section of the Security Index every Supervisor should be required to note on his assignment card the fact that the subject is in the Special Section of the Security Index and each time the case is reviewed on tickler, The Supervisor should reconsider the status of the subject in the Special Section and determine whether the subject should be so continued. u

(4) A separate list of all subjects in the Special Section of the Security Index broken down according to Field offices, which subjects are supervised by the Espionage Section, will be maintained in the Espionage Section. Additions and deletions to this list will be made at the time they occur upon notification by the Internal Security Section. u

(5) All additions or deletions from the Special Section of the Security Index will be handled by memorandum of request upon which the appropriate Supervisor in the Internal Security Section will endorse the date on which the change was made in the Special Section of the Security Index. u

(6) Upon receipt of advice from the Department regarding the handling of U. S. Government Employees, Atomic Energy Employees, Foreign Government Employees and the United Nations and other international organization employees appropriate action should be taken in accordance with such instructions. u

(7) It is recommended that no individuals be maintained in the Special Section of the Security Index in the future under the category prominent individuals, and that immediate steps be taken to instruct the Field to bring the investigations of such persons into such condition that there would be no reasonable possibility of embarrassment to the Bureau by reason of the apprehension of such "prominent individuals," in the event of hostilities. It is further recommended that in 90 days the "prominent individuals" category in the Special Section of the Security Index be carefully reviewed for the purpose of eliminating as many as is possible. u

ACTION:

There are attached for your information brief write-ups for the purpose of identifying each of the individuals considered in the aforementioned survey. u

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : All Supervisors in the Espionage and  
Internal Security Sections

DATE: September 28, 1950

FROM :

SUBJECT: SPECIAL SECTION OF THE SECURITY INDEX

PURPOSE:

To provide for a review of all cases involving subjects currently in the Special Section of the Security Index for the purpose of determining whether or not they are properly included therein and to provide for instructions to be issued to the field to submit information in summary type reports suitable for distribution concerning these subjects.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

As you are aware, the Special Section of the Security Index contains the names of individuals who should be given special consideration as to the desirability of their apprehension in the event of hostilities. This Special Section is broken down into six categories as follows:

- Espionage Subjects
- Government Employees
- Prominent Individuals
- Atomic Energy Employees
- Foreign Government Employees
- United Nations Personnel

There are over 200 names in the Special Section and since the Bureau will be taking the responsibility for allowing these people to be at large after the start of hostilities while separate consideration is given to the desirability of apprehending them, the investigative files regarding these subjects should be examined now, for the purpose of determining whether the national security might better be served by including the names of various individuals now in the Special Section along with the others in the Security Index.

Each Supervisor should review those cases of individuals assigned to him who are now in the Special Section of the Security Index to determine if they are properly included therein. At the conclusion of the review, each case should be the subject of a memorandum which will indicate why the name should be deleted from the Special Section or why the name should be continued in the Special Section. These memoranda will then be correlated by Supervisor, Room, and a summary memorandum of recommendations will be prepared. U

ENCLOSURE

It will then be necessary for each Supervisor to whom any of the subjects now included in the Special Section of the Security Index are assigned to issue instructions to the Field for summary type reports concerning those subjects to be continued in the Special Section so that these reports will be readily available for dissemination in the event of an emergency. These instructions should also provide that periodic reports suitable for dissemination be submitted covering the activities of those subjects retained in the Special Section. u

With regard to those individuals who are to be deleted from the Special Section and placed in the Security Index for apprehension in the event of an emergency, each Supervisor, in reviewing his case files should determine whether reports now in the file are suitable for dissemination. If necessary, the Field should be instructed to prepare a summary type report suitable for dissemination on such subjects as are being placed in the regular Security Index. u

Factors to Consider in Connection with Review:

With regard to all subjects now in the Special Section of the Security Index, you should consider the following five factors in determining whether they should be continued in the Special Section: u

1. Is the category in which they are placed supported by the facts of the case? u

2. Are any members of their households in the Security Index? If so, are they in the Special Section? u

3. Have we ever attempted to interview the subject? u

4. Could we adequately cover the subject's activities during the opening days of hostilities? u

5. With regard to the application of the Emergency Detention Act of 1950, do we have evidence of the following: u

A. Instructions or assignment in the Espionage, Counterespionage or Sabotage service or procedures of a foreign country, foreign political party or the Communist Party, USA. u

B. Any past acts of Espionage or Sabotage or participation in any attempt or conspiracy to commit Espionage or Sabotage. u

C. Holding of membership at any time after January 1, 1949 in the Communist Party, USA or any other organization seeking the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence. u

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Espionage subjects are in the Special Section because:

1. Apprehension would destroy chances of penetration and control of an operating Soviet Espionage parallel, or **5U**
2. Apprehension would destroy known chances of penetration and control of a "sleeper" parallel. **5U**

Additional considerations with regard to Espionage subjects are:

1. Can we present the facts concerning the subject's Espionage activity to the Attorney General now? **4**
2. If subject is a member of the Communist Party, USA, or an official of a party front, are others in a comparable position in the Communist Party, USA, or front in his locality in the Security Index? **4**
3. Do we have sufficient data exclusive of the subject's Espionage connections to hold the subject under the Detention Program? **4**
4. Is the subject employed by a foreign government or employed by or accredited to an international organization? **4**

Government employees are in the Special Section because:

1. The case is still pending under the Loyalty Program, or **4**
2. The case has been determined in the subject's favor by the Loyalty Board. **4**

Additional consideration to be given Government employees is the question of whether our investigation has developed additional evidence or pertinent information since the last referral to the Government Board. **4**

Also, in the case of Government employees, is there any logical objection to presenting the name of the Government employee, at this time, to the Attorney General for inclusion on his Master Warrant of Arrest? **4**

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Prominent individuals are in the Special Section because:

1. Apprehension might be attended by considerable publicity tending to make a martyr of the subject, or

2. Apprehension might affect adversely other persons not on the Security Index who are necessary to the war effort.

Additional considerations in regard to prominent individuals are as follows:

1. Why, specifically, is the subject considered a prominent individual?

2. Is the person whom the subject's arrest might affect adversely still necessary to the war effort?

3. What elements need to be developed in order to make the case against the subject a strong case?

4. What could the subject reasonably be expected to do during the first few days of hostilities that could injure the United States and thereby embarrass the Bureau, assuming he was not apprehended at the outset of the Detention Program?

5. What is the reasonable chance of developing data sufficient to make a strong case in the first few days after the outbreak of hostilities?

Atomic Energy employees are in the Special Section because their apprehension must be cleared with Atomic Energy Commission representatives in order to avoid interference with Atomic Energy work. With regard to these individuals, the following additional matters should be considered:

1. Is the subject working for the Atomic Energy Commission, for a contractor, or for a subcontractor? If so, where?

2. Does the subject have access to restricted material?

3. Does the subject have access to restricted areas?

Foreign Government employees are in the Special Section because we can only apprehend those employed by Governments with which we are at war. Additional matters to be considered in connection with

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this category are:

1. Is the subject secretly serving the Soviets though in the employ of a nonsatellite nation which may be friendly or neutral in the event of war? U

2. Does the subject have access to classified material which might relate to the conduct of the war by the United States and its allies? U

United Nations and international organization employees are in the Special Section by reason of the fact that they are employees of international organizations regardless of their national origin, and notification must be given to the Secretary of the United Nations regarding their detention. U

In reviewing cases involving United Nations employees regardless of their national origin, you should consider the advisability of presenting their names at this time to the Attorney General for inclusion in his Master Warrant of Arrest in order that he can take the necessary steps regarding notification to the Department of State and the United Nations in the event of emergency. U

ACTION:

Memoranda regarding each of the subjects assigned to any Supervisor should be submitted no later than the close of business Wednesday, October 11, 1950. The memoranda should contain a recommendation to continue the individual subject in the Special Section or should contain a recommendation that he be removed from the Special Section and placed in the regular Security Index. Each memorandum should show that consideration has been given to each of the items set forth in the preceding portion of these instructions. U

Instructions to the field regarding summaries will be sent after the correlated summary is approved. U

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*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
 Attn: Liaison Section  
 FROM : SAC, New York ( )  
 SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX SUBJECTS  
 NASSAU AND SUFFOLK COUNTIES,  
 NEW YORK

DATE: 4/1/55

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated 3/17/55 requesting statistical data concerning SI subjects residing in the Counties of Nassau and Suffolk, NY, which data were requested by OSI.

265 SI subjects reside in Nassau  
 31 SI subjects reside in Suffolk  
 2 SI subjects are employed in Suffolk but reside in Nassau  
 37 SI subjects are employed in Nassau but reside outside Nassau County

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 15, 1950

FROM : SAC, Savannah

CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

INDEX  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet to SAC, Albany, 12-11-50.

At the present time there are no individuals maintained by this Office in the Inactive Section of the Security Index.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR FBI

DATE: 12-16-50

FROM : SAC OMAHA

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SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Re Bulet dated December 11, 1950.

A review of the Security Index cards maintained in the Omaha Office reveals that at the present time, there are no subjects listed in the Security Index that have been inducted into the Armed Forces.

There are no Security Index cards on individuals maintained by this office in the Inactive Section of the Security Index.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

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DATE: December 16, 1950.

FROM : SAC, Denver

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

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ReBulet to Albany, copy to Denver, dated December 11, 1950.

There are no individuals in the Security Index of this office  
who have been inducted into the Armed Services.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: December 16, 1950

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE

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SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet to SAC, Albany, 12/11/50.

At present there are no Security Index Cards in Inactive Section of Knoxville Security Index Card file. No SI subjects have been inducted or in some other manner entered the Armed Forces from this area.



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*Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Director, FBI

DATE: 12-16-50

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SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet December 11, 1950.

There are no subjects of the Security Index of the St. Louis Office maintained in the "Inactive Section" because none of these subjects have gone into the Armed Forces.



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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 14, 1950

FROM: SAC, Cleveland

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

ReBulet to Albany dated December 11, 1950.

For the information of the Bureau, a Special Section of the Security Index file in this office has been established and captioned "Inactive". At the present time there are no Security Index cards maintained in this section for individuals who have been inducted into the Armed Forces; however, the Bureau will be promptly advised on any occasion in the future when cards have been placed in the inactive section for this reason.

December 4, 1950

**SURVEY OF CHINESE COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES  
IN THE UNITED STATES**

**PURPOSE:**

*Security Index*

To briefly advise you of the current situation with reference to Chinese Communist Activities in the United States; to recommend that the Department be asked as to the action the Bureau should take in the event of open declared hostilities with Communist China, and to recommend that a teletype be sent to all offices to reiterate previous instructions on Chinese investigations.

**DETAILS:**

You will recall that Bureau Bulletin #63 was sent to the field on November 10, 1950, directing attention to the serious situation that had resulted from the open intervention of Chinese Communist forces in Korea. The imperative necessity of immediately completing pending investigations involving Chinese Communist activity was emphasized. To further implement these instructions, a copy of a teletype to all field offices is attached for your approval, reiterating these instructions and asking for the names of all Chinese in the Security Index.

The 1940 Federal Census revealed that there were a total of 100,000 Chinese residing in the United States at that time. IIT reported as of August 1, 1950, there were 29,908 alien Chinese permanently residing in the United States and non-resident Chinese aliens as of that time - totalled 10,372, 3,951 of whom were students.

New York is the principal center of Communist activity although San Francisco has reported substantial activity in the past.

The offices having major concentrations of Chinese were requested on November 15, 1950, to determine the overall Chinese situation so that the potential Chinese Communist threat to the internal security could be better evaluated.

The inquiries conducted by those offices reflect

that since the commencement of the Korean conflict there has been a lessening of Chinese Communist activity and pro-Chinese Communist propaganda has been discontinued because of its unpopularity in the Chinese communities and fear of deportation under the Internal Security Act of 1950. Open activity among alien Chinese student groups has been greatly curtailed because of investigation and interrogation of individual students.

Available information indicates that the greatest threat is presented by the Chinese student-scientist groups, the principal organizations in these categories being the Chinese Association of Scientific Workers and the Chinese Students Christian Association.

The CASW as of June, 1950 reportedly had a membership of 590 in 23 branches throughout the country. It is composed entirely of alien Chinese students and scientists and is alleged by informants to be solely dedicated to the cause of Communist China.

Investigation of the CASW has been conducted by the Bureau in accordance with an INS request dated July 17, 1950, for the purpose of establishing whether the organization was subversive within the meaning of the laws administered by that service.

It was announced that the CASW was disbanded on September 10, 1950, because the majority of its members had returned or were returning to China. The New York Office advised on December 1, 1950, that those alien Chinese students known to have joined the CASW are being denied extensions of visas. Informants are reported to have stated that the attitude of INS plus fear of investigation under the McCarran Act has caused a cessation of open Communist activity among Chinese students.

The Chinese Students Christian Association has a reported membership of 351 alien and native born Chinese students located in 25 chapters in universities and colleges throughout the country. This organization was established

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in 1909 and became affiliated with the International Department of the YCA in 1911. Until recently, it occupied offices at YCA National Headquarters in New York City. Reliable informants have reported that 90 per cent of the Chinese students in this organization are pro-Chinese Communist although not necessarily pro-Communist Party USA.

The Department has been fully advised concerning both the CASW and the CPCA.

The principal center of Chinese Communist student activity has been at Columbia University, New York City, although the Chinese Students Discussion Group, made up of approximately 20 members, is active at the University of Chicago and has declared its unqualified support of the Communist Government in China.

The principal pro-Chinese Communist organization at Columbia University has been the Chinese Learned Society which has sponsored meetings of kindred groups in New York City to urge support in behalf of the Chinese Communist Regime and in opposition to the Nationalist Government in China. Its chairman, [redacted] departed for China on June 15, 1950, and no activity of the group has been reported since that time. The Department has been informed concerning the Chinese Learned Society in connection with a campaign that the Chinese Learned Society waged in January, 1950 to raise funds for the "comfort" of Chinese Communist troops.

On October 10, 1950, INS instructed its field offices to interrogate all alien students concerning their sympathy to the Communist movement with reference to extension of their stay in the United States. INS has agreed to make available all substantial derogatory data developed as a result of those interrogations.

The principal pro-Communist Chinese language organizations are located in New York City; however, the Chinese Workers Mutual Aid Association in San Francisco,

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which has a membership of about 60 working class Chinese has openly engaged in demonstrations in behalf of the Chinese Communist Government, such as displaying the Chinese Communist flag and commemorating the victories of the People's Liberation Armies.

The Chinese Hand Laundry Alliance, 191 Canal Street, New York City, has been described by Chinese informants as one of the principal pro-Chinese Communist groups in the United States. It was established in 1933 to combat licensing restrictions of the City of New York and membership is limited to Chinese hand laundry owners. The membership is estimated variously from 200 to 1,000 but Chinese informants have said that its Executive Committee is dominated by a small pro-Communist group who use the alliance for pro-Communist propaganda purposes. In affiliated Social Club, the "Quon Shar" reportedly subscribed \$6500 toward the purchase of Victory Bonds of the People's Republic of China at a dinner held in the Alliance club rooms on January 2, 1950. The Alliance publicly displayed the Chinese Communist flag on November 10, 1949 as did its youth group affiliate, the Chinese Youth Club of the same address.

The "China Daily News" which has been described as the foremost Communist Chinese language daily newspaper in the United States was organized by the Alliance and most of its 300 stockholders are reportedly Alliance members.

The Min Chih Tang or Chinese Free Masons is a Chinese language group with branches in the major Chinese centers in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Cuba and South America. It was reported early in 1950 that an effort had been made by Communists in the organization to take control, but these efforts were successfully resisted and the Communists were reportedly expelled from the organization.

The Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy, 10 E. 11th Street, New York City is the principal Communist Party front organization engaged in pro-Chinese Communist activity and support. It has been cited as subversive by the Attorney General under Executive Order 9835.

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and assisted \_\_\_\_\_, Chinese Communist delegate to the San Francisco United Nations Conference on International Organizations in 1945, in setting the organization up.

The China Welfare Appeal, 430 Fifth Avenue, New York City and the China Aid Council, 11 Broadway, New York City are also named by reliable informants as Communist fronts engaged in fund raising activity for the benefit of Chinese Communists. Many known Communists are affiliated with both organizations.

Indusco, Incorporated, 349 Fourth Avenue, New York City is another Communist front group active in behalf of the Chinese Communists. Reliable informants have reported it is dominated by persons known for their Communist affiliations including \_\_\_\_\_, its chairman and \_\_\_\_\_, its secretary. Its reported purpose is the promotion of industrial projects in China.

Reliable informants have reported that the most important Chinese Communist in New York City is \_\_\_\_\_ of the "China Daily News." Although born in China, he claims American citizenship as the son of an American born Chinese. He has been identified with substantially all Chinese Communist activity in New York City. He is a key figure in the New York Division and is a security in \_\_\_\_\_ and Sitoon subject. Reliable informants have characterized the "China Daily News" as the outstanding pro-Communist Chinese language newspaper in the United States.

\_\_\_\_\_ is also a pro-Communist Chinese language daily newspaper in San Francisco and among its present owners is \_\_\_\_\_, proprietor of the \_\_\_\_\_, which is reportedly the Chinese Communist meeting place in San Francisco. \_\_\_\_\_, although foreign born, is a naturalized citizen. He is also named in the Security Index. The paper has a circulation of about 3000 daily. The "Chinese Weekly," a Communist Chinese language weekly newspaper, is also published on the \_\_\_\_\_.

The Security Index contains the names of alien, native born and naturalized Chinese subjects but it has not been possible to readily determine the number of such subjects.

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who are actually in the Security Index because their cards are filed under a general "Communist" classification and no provision is made for further subdivision under "Nationalities." Supervisors on the Chinese desk have individual records of twelve Chinese on the Security Index. You will note that the field is asked in the attached teletype to furnish the names of Chinese in the Security Index. Reliable informants have reported that the Chinese delegation to the United Nations was relatively free of Communist infiltration, although several investigations are being conducted concerning pro-Communist Chinese in the Chinese Embassy in Washington.

Chinese Communists have gained entrance into the United Nations Secretariat, principally in the Chinese Translation and Interpretation Sections and several investigations are being conducted on such subjects. and alien Chinese employed in the UN Secretariat are currently carried in the Special Section of the Security Index.

The principal Chinese Communist commercial and financial activity has been handled through the American Chinese Export Corporation of which is the , and this company recently registered under the Foreign Agents Registration Act as agents for the Bank of China in Peking and other Chinese commercial organizations.

From a review of the various investigations currently being conducted, it would appear that the New York Office has the greatest volume of cases and is also the center of the preponderance of Chinese Communist activity. Close attention has been and is being given to all Chinese Communist investigations and the field has been repeatedly alerted to the necessity of giving preferred and continuous attention to those investigations.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

If you approve,

- (1) The attached teletype will be sent to all field offices re-emphasizing the need for completing these investigations, submitting recommendations

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for the Security Index immediately as well as  
furnishing the names of Chinese on the Security  
Index.

(2) The attached letter will be directed to  
Deputy Attorney General requesting  
the Bureau be advised of the action contemplated  
in the event of open hostilities with Communist  
China.



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SAC, San Diego

December 21, 1950

Director, FBI

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
(UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS)  
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(Your file 100-7098)  
(Bureau file 100-3-04)

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(Your letter then suggests that the Office receiving such information should attempt to determine the identity and previous residence of such an individual and when this is accomplished, a letter should then be directed to the Office covering the place of previous residence and advise of the presence of such individual in the new location. Your letter further suggests a method of locating and identifying individuals that are moving about the country. Present instructions on Security Index subjects require that the data on Security Index cards shall at all times be in an up-to-date status and addresses must be checked at least once every six months. Arrangements must be made so that the Field Divisions will be advised of any change in the subject's residence or business address. Whenever it has been determined that a subject has moved to an address located in another Field Office, the Office in whose territory the individual is now residing will be immediately notified in order that the new residence address can be verified.)

(Referenced letter further suggests RECEPTION to closing a case in which the subject is listed in the Security Index, arrangements will be made for a reliable neighbor of the subject to be furnished an up-to-date address of any move on the part of the subject.)

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(This suggestion is covered by the instructions previously set forth in this letter concerning the periodic six-month check of Security Index subjects, residences and business addresses. Many Offices follow the suggestions which you have set forth in referenced letter.

Your suggestions in connection with the above-captioned matter are sincerely appreciated and if at any time in the future you have additional suggestions, please refer them to the Bureau immediately for consideration.)



IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
NEW YORK, NY

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November 14, 1950

Director, FBI.

RE: <sup>0</sup> SECURITY INDEX

Dear Sir:

Reference is being made to the present system utilized by the Bureau whereby the Bureau prepare the Security Index card for the field division and transmits to the Divisions the Security Index card for filing.

The Bureau's attention is being called to the authority granted this division by the late Inspector Gurnea to utilize the color card system in connection with tabbing of the cards for Detcom and Comsab. This office has been using blue cards for Detcom subjects and salmon cards for Comsab. As a result of the system presently utilized by the Bureau, we cannot operate our color tab system. Further it is noted that the weight of the cards presently being furnished the field by the Bureau is so light as to make it impractical to use any metal tab system. It is, therefore, being recommended that the Bureau consider using the colored card in designating individuals for Detcom and Comsab.

If the colored cards are not available at the Bureau or it does not feel that it would be advantageous to use that system, then it is being recommended that the field be permitted to merely circle in red or blue pencil the notations "DC" or "CD" as appearing on the top center of the cards. In this way, the Detcom and Comsab subjects will be easily discernible from a check of the file. Although it is realized that it would take a little longer to pull the Detcom and Comsab cards by utilizing this system over the colored metal tab system, nevertheless, it is felt that the difference in time will be so negligible as to not justify instituting the metal tab system which system has certain obvious disadvantages.

Since the problem outlined above is an urgent one for the New York Office, the Bureau is requested to expedite its consideration of the above recommendation.

SAC, New York

Director, FBI

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Reurlet dated November 14, 1950.

Your letter calls the Bureau's attention to the fact that authority was granted to the New York Office by the late Inspector Curnea to utilize the color card system in connection with tabbing Security Index Cards for Letcom and Comsab. You advised that the New York Office has been using blue cards for Letcom subjects and salmon cards for Comsab subjects and that as a result of the system presently being utilized by the Bureau you are unable to operate your color tab system. You advised that the weight of the cards presently being furnished the Field by the Bureau is so light as to make it impractical to use any metal tabs on the cards.

With respect to the use of the blue cards for Letcom and salmon cards for Comsab, it is not possible for the Bureau to prepare different colored cards on the IBM equipment now in use.

The Bureau will furnish as soon as possible a complete set of the new SI Cards as you were advised in SAC Letter No. 48, Series 1950, dated July 25, 1950. The Cards should be marked for Letcom and Comsab with the metal tabs as previously instructed. A check was made at the Bureau and the Cards now being used appear to be sufficiently heavy to handle the metal tabs used at the Bureau.

With respect to the colored cards you are now using, you should mark these cards for Letcom and Comsab using the metal tabs regardless of the color of the cards. If you desire to circle in red or blue pencil the notations "LC" or "CS" appearing on the top center of the cards, you may do so.

It is the Bureau's desire that this problem be handled with a minimum amount of effort and it will not be necessary for you to retype any of the cards now in use. If, however, it becomes necessary for you to retype any of the cards you now have, you should use the white card.

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SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Section 87, Part C, Paragraph (d), of the Manual of Instructions sets forth the rules for the handling of Security Index cards when the subject is inducted into the Armed Forces.

The Bureau desires to reiterate its instructions that it must be advised whenever a subject listed in the Security Index is inducted into the Armed Forces. You should disseminate any subversive information concerning the subject to the proper intelligence Agency in your Field Division.

Present instructions read, "The Security Index cards for subjects who have been inducted into the Armed Forces of the United States shall be placed in a separate security index file."

In order to clarify the meaning of "separate Security Index file," you are instructed to designate a section of your Security Index as "Inactive." In this section you should file the Security Index cards of those subjects who have entered the Armed Forces.

The Bureau desires that you immediately furnish a complete list of the individuals maintained by your Office in the Inactive Section of the Security Index in order that a check can be made to see that those individuals maintained in your Office in the Inactive Section correspond with those filed in the Inactive Section at the Bureau.

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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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December 18, 1950

Director, FBI.

RE: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS.  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM  
SECURITY INDEX.

Dear Sir:

Rebulet 12/11/50.

In accordance with Bureau instructions a separate section in the Security Index has been set up designated as "Inactive".

A review of the Security Index fails to reveal any individuals coming within this classification.

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26-12

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, Los Angeles  
SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
Removal of Cards from  
Security Index

DATE: December 16, 1950

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Rebulet dated 12/11/50 to Albany, captioned as above.

This will advise that a separate section of the Security Index, designated as "inactive," has been established, into which will be placed the Security Index cards of such Security Index subjects as enter the army.

At the present time, this section contains the Security Index cards of \_\_\_\_\_, Los Angeles file \_\_\_\_\_, Bufile \_\_\_\_\_

By letter from this office dated October 16, 1950, the Bureau was advised that a summary of the information concerning this individual had been furnished to IFO #2, Fort MacArthur. Reference is also made to Bulet of 11/24/50 in the \_\_\_\_\_ case, requesting a copy of such summary furnished to IFO #2. A copy of such summary will be forwarded with a separate communication in the \_\_\_\_\_ case.

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changed  
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37-11

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

CONFIDENTIAL

DATE: December 14, 1950

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet to Albany 12-11-50.

There are no Security Index cards maintained by this office  
in the Inactive Section of the Security Index.



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37-11

SAC, Philadelphia

December 29, 1950

Director, FBI

Security Index  
Urfile

Reference is made to your letter dated December 7, 1950, transmitting one roll of film pertaining to the above-captioned matter.

In accordance with your request, prints have been made and they are being forwarded together with the film to your office under separate registered cover.

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to

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 16, 1950

FROM : SAC, Little Rock

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SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

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Rebulet to Albany dated 12-11-50.

The Little Rock Division has no Security Index subject who has entered the armed forces and, therefore, has no Security Index card in the Inactive Section of its Security Index.

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changed  
to  
8-6

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 18, 1950

FROM : SAC, Charlotte *OC*

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

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REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet to Albany dated December 11, 1950.

At the present time the Charlotte Office has no cards maintained in the inactive section of the Security Index.

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to  
40-5

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memo. *dum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI *OK*  
FROM : SAC, PORTLAND  
SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

DATE: December 18, 1950

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*Carson* Rebutlet to SAC, Albany with copies for this division, dated December 11, 1950.

As of this date none of the Security Index subjects have been inducted or have enlisted in the armed service. Therefore, we have no inactive cards.

As soon as information is received indicating that any Security Index subject is inducted into the service, the necessary reports will be forwarded to the interested agency and the Bureau will be advised.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : *Russell* Director, FBI

DATE: December 16, 1950

FROM : SAC, Albany

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

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REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet December 11, 1950, captioned as above.

This is to advise that the Albany Office has no individuals who are maintained in the inactive section of the Security Index.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI      AIRMAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY      DATE: December 18, 1950  
FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO  
SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS      *OK*  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX.

REURLET December 11, last.

You are advised that the San Diego Office has no Security Index subjects who have entered the armed forces.



339 changed  
to  
39-8

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
SAC, Pittsburgh

DATE: December 18, 1950

CONFIDENTIAL

OBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

*Security Index*  
ReBulet, December 11, 1950, containing instructions to designate a section of the Security Index as "inactive" wherein Security Index Cards of subjects who have entered the armed forces should be filed.

Please be advised that, as of December 16, 1950, this office has no Security Index subjects who have entered the armed forces, and correspondingly there are no Security Index Cards presently in the inactive section of the Pittsburgh Security Index.

Pursuant to Bureau instructions, this office will advise the Bureau whenever a subject listed in the Security Index of this office enters the armed forces, and the proper dissemination of any subversive information concerning Security Index subjects entering the armed forces will be made available to the appropriate intelligence agency in this field division.

340 changed  
to  
22-5

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 16, 1950

FROM *W* SAC, Anchorage

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM <sup>o</sup> SECURITY INDEX

ReBulet to Albany dated 12/11/50.

This office has no cards in the inactive section of the security index box inasmuch as no security index subjects have entered into the Armed Forces.



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19-4

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: December 19, 1950

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, HOUSTON

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX - INACTIVE SECTION  
REMOVAL OF NAMES FROM SECURITY INDEX

ReBulet dated 12-11-50 concerning the main-  
taining of an inactive section of the Security Index for  
the filing of those Security Index subjects who are inducted  
into the armed forces.

This is to advise that an inactive section  
has been designated in the Security Index file of the  
Houston Office, however, at this time no Security Index  
subjects have been inducted into the armed forces. When-  
ever a subject listed in the Security Index of the Houston  
Office is inducted into the armed forces the Bureau will  
be notified promptly.

342 changed  
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33-5

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI CONFIDENTIAL

DATE: December 19, 1950

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet to Albany dated December 11, 1950.

A review of the Security Index File maintained by the New Orleans Office reflects there are no Security Index subjects whose cards are maintained by the New Orleans Office in an inactive section of the Security Index.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 18, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX PROJECT

Re New York letter dated December 11, 1950.

As of December 18, 1950, there were still pending in the New York Office 57 cases on Security Index subjects, which cases the Bureau requested be brought up to date. Of these 57 cases, pending reports have been submitted in 40, leaving 17 which have not yet been brought up to date.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

*Office Memo*

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TO : Director, FBI

CONFIDENTIAL

DATE: December 18, 1950

FROM : SAC, Buffalo

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

ReBulet December 11, 1950.

The following individual is the only subject in this division who has entered the armed services. His SI Cards have been filed in the inactive section of the SI file maintained in this office.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12-20-50

FROM :SAC, NEW HAVEN

CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT:SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Reference is made to Bureau letter to Albany dated 12-11-50.

Inactive Section has been designated for the Security Index file of the New Haven Office.

For the information of the Bureau this office does not presently have any Security Index subjects in the Inactive Section of the Security Index.

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changed  
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43-7

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/21/50

FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS

CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

ReBulet to Albany dated December 11, 1950.

This office at the present does not have any individuals maintained in an inactive section of the Security Index. In the event any individuals would qualify for this section, the Bureau will be promptly advised.

347 changed  
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41-4

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED

GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

CONFIDENTIAL

DATE: 12-19-50

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

ReBulet December 11, 1950 to the Albany Office.

This is to advise that the Richmond Office does not at the present time have any individual's Security Card filed in the Inactive Section. It is noted that this section is maintained for those Security Index Card subjects who have been inducted into the Armed Services.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/21/50

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS

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REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

Rebulet to Albany dated December 11, 1950.

A "inactive" section has been set up in the Security Index File in the Phoenix Office. There are no Security Index Cards maintained in the "inactive" section of the Security Index File in the Phoenix Office at the present time inasmuch as no Security Index subjects have entered the armed forces.



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52-4

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD  
SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS  
REMOVAL OF CARDS FROM SECURITY INDEX

DATE: December 22, 1950

CONFIDENTIAL

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ReBulet December 11, 1950, captioned as above, containing instructions to designate a section of the Security Index as "Inactive."

The Bureau's instructions contained in referenced communication have been complied with.

There are presently no individuals maintained in the inactive section of the Security Index.

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to  
48-8

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : *AS* SAC, San Juan  
SUBJECT: Security Index

DATE: *2-11-50*

Re Bulet dated 9/21/50 instructing that the Union of the People for the Establishment of the Republic of Puerto Rico will be coded UPR.

Security Index cards maintained by this office which refer to members of this organization have been changed to reflect the new code letters.

The names of the individuals whose cards have been changed appear below: